

NEWS FROM RICHMOND AND OTHER PARTS OF VIRGINIA.

SAD FATE OF A BRAKEMAN

News and Gossip in the Capital City of Virginia.

TOUR OF INSPECTION

Michael Mayer, of the R. F. & P. Railroad, instantly killed—A Young Man Arrested for Abduction—Chesapeake & Ohio Officials Will Inspect Entire System—U. S. Court.

(Special to the Pilot)

Richmond, Va., February 19.—Michael Mayer, a brakeman on the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac railroad, was almost instantly killed last night. He was swinging from the ladder on the side of a car when struck by a switch stand. He leaves a widow and four small children.

ARRESTED FOR ABDUCTION.

Holly Lowery, a young white man of Manchester, some time ago, eloped with a fourteen-year-old girl to North Carolina. He has been arrested and brought back to Manchester. This morning the girl testified that Lowery had not married her and he was committed to jail to await the action of the grand jury.

TOUR OF INSPECTION.

President George W. Stevens, General Superintendent C. E. Doyle, General Freight Agent E. D. Hotchkiss, Freight Manager F. M. Whitaker, of Chesapeake & Ohio, and General Agent H. W. Fuller, and Assistant General Passenger Agent John D. Potts, comprising the party of Chesapeake and Ohio officials now inspecting the entire system. The party left on a special at 9 o'clock this morning, composed of the private cars of the president and general superintendent.

The party went west on the Richmond division to Charlottesville, and will probably reach Clinton Forge to-night. The party will visit the various towns on the system, and will reach Louisville and Cincinnati the latter part of the week. They will return to Richmond the early part of next week.

Mr. W. P. Marshall, who is one of the contractors for the construction of the Chesapeake and Ohio's new line, the Marshall road, is in the city. Mr. Marshall said that the work is progressing favorably, but has been delayed by the recent heavy snows.

UNITED STATES COURT.

The United States Circuit Court of Appeals reconvened this morning at 10 o'clock, with Judge Goff, Simonton and Waddill on the bench. The proceedings were as follows:

In No. 334—C. P. Frazier, commissioner et al., petitioners vs. Southern Loan and Trust Company, trustee in bankruptcy of D. W. C. Benbow, respondent. On petition to review and superintend the decision of the District Court of North Carolina, at Greensboro, the court announced its opinion. Opinion prepared by Judge Paul. The orders of the District Court brought up for review. Reversed with costs and remanded.

No. 347—Frederick K. Neiminger, plaintiff in error, vs. Receivers of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, in error, to the Circuit Court of West Virginia, at Wheeling. Argued by John A. Howard and J. B. Briggs for the plaintiff in error, and by Henry M. Russell for the defendant in error, and submitted. C. C. Duffield, trustee et al., appellants, vs. Asa A. Michael et al., appellees. Appeal from the Circuit Court of West Virginia. Argued by B. M. Ambler and J. W. Lee for the appellants, and by John A. Howard and William P. Hubbard for appellees. Pending the argument the court adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock. James W. Lee, of Pittsburg, Pa.; J. B. Briggs, of Bridgeport, O., and William M. Miller, of Parkersburg, Pa., were admitted as attorneys of this court.

APPOINTMENTS.

At the request of Mr. John S. Wilbur, Governor-General of the Pan-American Exposition, to be held in Buffalo this year, Governor Tyler has appointed Hon. Henry Fairfax, of Loudoun county, and Mr. A. J. Marcuse, of Richmond, as vice-presidents of the exposition, to represent the State of Virginia.

ARRIVAL OF REMAINS.

The remains of Mr. George W. Knapp, who died at his home, No. 351 Virginia avenue, Newport News, yesterday, were brought to Richmond and interred in River View Cemetery to-day.

PETERSBURG.

PREACHER'S DEATH—TOBACCO EXCHANGE—PAINFULLY HURT. (Special to the Pilot.)

Petersburg, Va., Feb. 19.—Rev. Henry Williams, pastor of the Glifford Baptist Church, died at his home on Pegram street, in this city, yesterday afternoon, after a protracted illness. The deceased was born in Spotsylvania county, near Fredericksburg, October 13, 1831. He was married when quite young by his parents to Hamilton county, Ohio. He came to Petersburg from Ohio, November, 1865, and was elected pastor of the Glifford church on the 26th of that month and at once entered upon his pastoral work. When he took charge of the church there were between 1,200 and 1,300 members. During his ministry 2,571 members were received into the church by baptism and by letter. The deceased was the prime leader of the colored State Baptist Association of Virginia, and it was he who established the Bethany Association of Southeastern Virginia. That part of Petersburg known as Williamsburg is named after Rev. Henry Williams. The deceased was one of the most prominent colored Baptist ministers in Virginia.

TOBACCO EXCHANGE.

The Tobacco Exchange held a meeting to-day and re-elected Mr. James B. McCulloch tobacco inspector. After the election the members of the exchange partook of a bountiful collation, tendered by Mr. McCulloch.

Messrs. W. T. Clark & Co., formerly tobacco buyers of Lynchburg and Wilkes, N. C., have been elected members

of the Petersburg Tobacco Exchange. INJURED.

Mr. J. D. Haines was quite painfully injured last Saturday night while coupling cars on the trestle bridge of the Atlantic Coast Line, in this city. His injuries, however, are not necessarily serious.

Mr. Isaac Beunstein, one of the men employed on the building of the trestle bridge for the Richmond, Petersburg and Carolina railroad at the head of Old street, accidentally fell from the trestle this morning and received a very painful cut on the head. His injuries were such as to require the attention of a physician.

CHURCH MATTERS.

Rev. T. C. Johnson, of the Union Theological Seminary, preached at Tabb Street Presbyterian Church yesterday morning. Rev. J. W. Roseboro, the pastor of the church, is at Blackstone holding a series of meetings.

A meeting of the congregation of the First Baptist Church, held yesterday morning, all of the former deacons of the church were re-elected.

R. P. & C. TRESTLE.

Hands are at work building that portion of the trestle bridge for the Richmond, Petersburg and Carolina railroad at the head of Old street. It is expected to have the entire trestle completed by Friday next. This trestle extends from West High street nearly to the river. The steel bridge over the Appomattox river here is about finished, and is now being laid both on the bridge and trestle. It is expected to have all of the work finished within the next two weeks.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

INTERESTING LAW DEBATE—A PROUD POSITION—OTHER NOTES.

Charlottesville, Va., Feb. 19.—One of the most interesting questions of the year was discussed Thursday night in the John B. Minor Law Debating Society.

The case argued was that of Norfolk and Western Railroad Company vs. Stevens, recently decided by the Supreme Court of Virginia. The Norfolk and Western Railroad Company had employed the Phoenix Bridge Company to replace a wooden bridge of theirs with a steel one. The contract was so arranged that, as usual in all such cases, traffic was to continue. Through negligence of the independent contractor, certain beams had been removed, whereby, on crossing, the engine fell in and a brakeman named Stevens was killed. His administrator sued the Norfolk and Western Railroad Company for \$10,000. The plaintiffs argued that it was a well settled principle of law that a railroad company owes certain non-assignable duties to their employees, among which is the rule that they are to use reasonable care to provide a safe place for the servant to perform his work. And that this duty was non-assignable, that the company could not relieve itself of the liability by employing an independent contractor, even though he be a competent one. The question hinges on this point.

Mr. Henry C. Tyler, of Richmond, and Mr. M. H. Van Hurr, of Charlottesville, represented the plaintiff. Mr. T. R. Littleton, Jr., of Memphis, Tenn., and Mr. Littleton, Jr., of Norfolk, defended the railroad company. After very good arguments the Supreme Court of the society held that the railroad company were not liable, two of the justices dissenting. An appeal to the Court of Appeals reversed the decision of the Supreme Court. The case was recently decided in favor of the railroad company by the Supreme Court of the State.

AN HONORED VISITOR.

Prof. John B. Minor, of Richmond College, was on honored visitor at the debate he gave a short speech, pointing out the great benefits such a society as this affords. He said all its members would realize its benefits when they have come to the bar. His short talk was appreciated by all.

The members of the T. I. L. K. A. fraternity held their spring initiation and banquet Thursday night. Among the initiates were R. D. Cooke and R. E. L. Taylor, of Norfolk, Va.

COLLEGE Y. M. C. A.

The University of Virginia holds a proud position in relation to college young men's Christian Association work. Indeed, it was the pioneer since here was established the first Y. M. C. A. in the college world, in 1856.

The heavy snowstorm of to-day checked the baseball practice which has been going on regularly since Captain Nalle called the candidates out.

A CLUB PROPOSED.

There is a movement on foot to organize a "University Club" and build a suitable clubhouse. The different fraternities now have the matter in hand and it is hoped the plans that have been discussed will be carried out. It will not be limited to fraternity men, but will be open to all students whom the Board of Admission passes on. A fine building, with all the conveniences and pleasures of a modern clubhouse, will be erected. The matter of raising funds will be placed in the hands of all the alumni associations, and there is little doubt that such a movement will meet with success.

PROHIBITIONISTS' CONVENTION

THIS BODY TO MEET IN RICHMOND THURSDAY.

The Prohibitionists will hold their State convention in Richmond next Thursday. It will be a mass convention of those who propose to support the Prohibition ticket in the next general election. Plans for the campaign will be discussed and arranged, and likely the names for the electoral ticket will be agreed upon and delegates selected for the national convention.

State Chairman W. T. Bundick, of Accomac, will preside. Mr. Bundick has quite a reputation as a temperance orator, and has made a successful tour of several States. Among the well-known champions of the Prohibition cause who will be present is Rev. L. A. Coulter, of Louisa county, known as one of the ablest and most zealous Prohibition advocates in the country. There will be a public meeting in Smithfield Hall Wednesday evening, the 27th, at 8 o'clock, at which Mr. Bundick and others will make addresses. The convention will be held in Smithfield Hall, in Richmond.

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SUFFOLK.

Aged Negro of Unsound Mind Dies in Jail.

Young Couple Elope to North Caro-

Hua—Some Oyster News—A Colonial Tea Thursday—Two Negro Women Indicted for Housebreaking—Personal.

(Special to the Virginian-Pilot.) Suffolk, Va., Feb. 19.—John Dillard, a colored lunatic, died this morning in Nansemond county jail, aged 87 years. He was the oldest person but one in Suffolk. A coroner's jury said death came from natural causes.

The crowded condition of the Central State Insane Hospital, at Petersburg, and the consequent engorgement of jails has caused much inconvenience hereabouts. There is nearly always a crazy person in confinement. Dillard was adjudged insane last November. The only lunatic left with Deputy Norfleet now is Mary Butts.

ELOPED FROM SUFFOLK.

A couple of young Surry county lovers eloped to North Carolina Sunday and got married. They took the train at Wakefield for Suffolk on the Norfolk and Western, and from here went into the Old North State via the Seaboard Air Line. They were Mr. J. L. McGurnan and Miss Price.

The matrimonial business over Mr. and Mrs. McGurnan came back to Suffolk and passed the night. This morning they bought tickets for Wakefield, from where they were driven home.

OYSTER NEWS.

Oyster Inspector Reps Williamson left to-day for Richmond. He was summoned by a legislative committee to testify regarding a bill that will affect dredgers. Inspector Williamson has made an active office and he is anxious to secure legislation to the best interest of his constituents.

Captain T. J. Thompson has applied to Inspector Williamson for all planting grounds in the "new channel" of Nansemond river not included in surveys already made.

COLONIAL TEA.

A very pleasant function is being arranged for next Thursday evening. It will be a Colonial Tea given by the Randolph Society of St. Paul's P. E. Church, for whose benefit it is. The tea will be had at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Eley, No. 15 Bank street, and the hours are from 8 to 11 o'clock. A silver offering will be taken.

Those who receive will be fittingly costumed. There will be George and Mary Washington and some of their Colonial contemporaries.

TWO COURTS.

Two colored women were to-day indicted for housebreaking at Courtland. This was the beginning of the February term of Southampton County Court, Hon. J. B. Prince Judge. The cold weather kept down the size of the crowd below average. There was much horse trading. Several Suffolk men were present.

REALTY SALES.

J. Walter King et us to Maggie E. Richardson, two tracts in Cypress district, containing, respectively, 67 and 25 acres; consideration, \$2,000.

Max A. T. Weymann to Daniel J. Bell, a lot in West Jericho, on the Eastern suburbs; \$400.

The same to Matilda Myrick, a lot in "Philadelphia"; \$400.

TO BE MARRIED.

A license was issued to-day for the marriage of William F. Hackney, a boatman, to Miss Nettie L. Moore, daughter of John H. Moore. The ceremony will be done Wednesday, February 21, Nansemond county.

A GREAT SCENE.

The new "Brooklyn" scene, that has been prepared for the farewell tour of Lewis Morrison's "Faust" this season, is pronounced to be the most weirdly beautiful every placed upon the stage, and not alone a masterpiece of the stage mechanic's skill, but a revelation in the art of electrical effects. Owls hoot and flap their wings, vampire bats flit by in hideous silence, huge green slimy snakes float through space, monster dragons appear emitting fire from their dilated nostrils, myriads of scintillating fire flies illuminate the scene, satyrs sit in stolid silence, sirens sing seductive ditties and goblins gyrate in demoniacal revelry. Meophisto in satanic majesty views with ghoulie glee this labyrinth of weirdness and from the summit of the "Brooklyn" hurls thunderbolts at the poor mortals who have been banished to everlasting torment. This scene ends with a novel and imposing pyrotechnic display.

"Faust" will be the attraction at the City Hall Theatre to-morrow (Tuesday) night.

YOUNG CLUB WOMEN.

The Suffolk Literary Club will meet Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock with Mrs. L. P. Harper, No. 123 Main street. The readers for the day are Mrs. John B. Pinner and Miss Katie Holladay and the author, Cable.

The Tuesday Afternoon Card Club will come together to-morrow with Miss Ella Sue Urquhart at No. 38 Hall avenue. The members will get refreshments.

The late W. J. Carroll, who died Saturday in Newport News, was Sunday afternoon buried in a private cemetery.

SUFFOLK ADVERTISEMENTS

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PERSONAL.

State Senator Thomas L. Tate, of Pulaski City, representing the Fifth district, to-day visited Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Joyner, on Chestnut street, and left in the afternoon for Richmond.

Hon. Walter Jordan, of Nansemond, and Hon. Joseph S. Musgrave, of Southampton, who passed Sunday with their respective families, left this afternoon to resume their legislative labors.

Miss Teiza Smith sang a solo Sunday evening at the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Thurman Britt, who had been the guest of his father, Captain E. B. Britt, left to-day for his home, in Chatham, W. Va.

Messrs. L. A. Deans, J. W. Darden and R. H. Williamson, of Lower Parish, were in Suffolk to-day.

Mrs. George Bowen left to-day for Norfolk to receive treatment at a hospital.

Mrs. R. R. Meacham, formerly Miss Mary Temple, of Petersburg, is the guest of Mrs. John B. Pinner on Brooklyn Heights.

H. T. Masse, H. G. Hopkins and S. C. Davis, of Richmond, were in Suffolk to-day.

Miss Etta Barum has returned from a visit to North Carolina. Captain P. St. J. Wilson, of Richmond, visited his old home in Suffolk Sunday.

Postmaster Raby, of Dean's, Va., was in Suffolk to-day.

Mr. William W. Stephenson and Mr. and Mrs. James W. Call, of Margarteville, N. C., were in Suffolk Sunday.

A son was Monday born to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hurley.

Among those from Suffolk who went to Richmond this evening were Messrs. S. T. Ellis, J. L. McLeomore, J. E. Booker and C. H. Causey, Jr.

CAPE CHARLES

Captain Frank Warren Drowned in the Middleground Yesterday.

Knocked From His Bugey, He Sinks From Sight Before His Brother's Eyes—The Late Montcalm Oldham—Told in a Paragraph.

The citizens of Cape Charles were shocked to-day to learn that Captain Frank Warren, who owns and conducts the bugey "Rasmussen," engaged in turning oysters from the seaside to Norfolk, was lost in the bay at an early hour this morning. He was returning, light, from Norfolk, and when he reached the lower end of the "Middleground," said to be the most treacherous part of the bay in rough and stormy weather, the main boom of his vessel suddenly fished, and, striking the unfortunate man, knocked him into the seething waters and he was lost. His brother, Mr. Thomas J. Warren, was with him on the trip, but, of course, was powerless in rendering assistance. He at once made Smith's island, some ten miles from where the accident occurred, and phoned the sad affair to his parents and other relatives residing here in Cape Charles. Deceased was some 28 or 29 years of age, and a son of Captain Joshua Warren, who is also engaged in the fish and oyster traffic. He was much esteemed for his sobriety, industry and faithfulness to duty. It is a sore affliction to his father, mother, brothers and sisters here, and they have the deep sympathy of the entire community.

It is said that the treachery of the "Middlegrounds" has claimed more than one victim in recent years.

THE LATE MONTCALM OLDHAM.

The late Montcalm Oldham, Jr., a brief notice of whose suicide was sent to the Virginian-Pilot the day it occurred, February 15, was born in Franktown, Northampton county, Va. The sad tragedy occurred on the fifty-second anniversary of his birth. He was found dead at 7 o'clock in the morning by his wife. He was on his knees, head resting on a trunk, left hand under head and pistol, with one chamber empty, lying on the floor beside him. Between 3 and 4 o'clock that morning Mrs. Oldham heard the report of a pistol, but thought it was fired on the street. He had been court clerk for more than thirty years, his first service being with Mr. Harmanston in Eastville. His family moved to Accomac C. H., and he accompanied them and secured a clerkship in the court of that county. He was dearly beloved in both counties and esteemed as a man above reproach. His wife was a Miss Bayfield, of Accomac county. He leaves several grown children, one, a daughter, now the wife of Rev. Byron Clark. His son, Robert Oldham, is deputy clerk. His father was Rev. Mr. Oldham, and his mother a Miss Harmanston. Physicians ascribe his death to temporary insanity, caused by overwork.

TREATMENT OF CANCER.

Dr. Kellam is on the Shore visiting his relatives up about Belle Haven, and also his brother, Mr. A. W. Kellam, of Capeville. Dr. Kellam has achieved considerable notoriety on account of his successful treatment of cancer, and for

HAMPTON.

NOLLE PROSEQUI IN THE CASE OF BURGE.

(Special to the Virginian-Pilot.)

Hampton, Va., Feb. 19.—In the County Court this morning the case of William D. Burge, who was given ten years in the penitentiary on the charge of assaulting his seventeen-year-old daughter, Ada Burge, and by an unusual occurrence secured a new hearing, was called for the third time for trial. On motion of his counsel, Messrs. Causey, Jones & Woodward, a nolle prosequi was entered in the case, and the once convicted father was given his freedom.

During the trial, at which Burge was convicted, the young woman was forced to leave the witness stand before counsel for the defence had completed the cross-examination, owing to sudden illness. The jury, however, returned a verdict of guilty and placed his punishment at the term in the penitentiary. His counsel excepted to the finding of the jury on the ground that the main witness against the prisoner was caused, by illness, to leave the stand before they had had the proper cross-examination.

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NEWPORT NEWS.

WALTER WOOD'S TRIAL—Y. M. C. A. CONVENTION.

(Special to the Virginian-Pilot.) Newport News, Va., Feb. 19.—The second trial of Walter Wood, charged with the murder of Jack Gloven a year ago, began in the Corporation Court to-day, and will probably last all week. The entire day was spent in securing a panel, and the evidence will not be begun until to-morrow.

Philip Perez, one of the most important of the Commonwealth's witnesses, cannot be found, and it is supposed that he has returned to Spain, his native land. His absence may materially affect the result. The jury on the first trial gave the accused eighteen years in the penitentiary.

The Y. M. C. A. State Convention, which held such a successful session at Hampton, is a thing of the past. An interesting farewell meeting was held at First Methodist Church last night, led by the State Secretary, Mr. L. A. Coulter. Most of the delegates returned home to-day.

Secretary of War's Plans.

(By Telegraph to the Virginian-Pilot.)

Washington, Feb. 19.—Secretary Root has turned over to General Ludlow his plan to secure the creation of a reserve list of persons in civil life, who are fully equipped for instant military service. His purpose is to have the military schools and colleges of the country brought into close touch with the regular army. The work of officers detailed as instructors in these institutions is to be watched, and a progress roll of the pupils under their instructions is to be kept.

After the boys go out into civil life it is intended that they shall be kept track of; if they go into the National Guard they will be given opportunities for special courses of military study and thrown as much as possible into the military atmosphere, and the result of all this is expected to be, that in time of war or emergency necessitating the sudden increase of the army, there will be a long roll of available men for appointment.

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